

COURT FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT GRANTS
—2017 SUMMARY OF AWARDS —

Section 27-05.2-10, NDCC, authorizes grants from the Court Facilities Improvement and Maintenance Fund for county projects to improve or maintain court facilities. The Fund receives revenue from a share of a \$100 fee applied to all criminal cases except infractions. The Court Facilities Improvement Advisory Committee is established under Section 27-05.2-09, NDCC, to receive applications for grants and make awards for projects that qualify for grant funds. The Committee is comprised of the following members: Sally Holewa, State Court Administrator and Committee Chair; Nathan Berseth, Richland County Commissioner; Reinhard Hauck, Dunn County Commissioner; Diane Larson, State Senator; and Seth Thompson, State Bar Association representative.

Briefly stated, the basic project requirements are that the improvement or maintenance project must be a necessary improvement to court facilities or essential to remodel or maintain existing court facilities. The county is required by statute to provide local funding for the project in an amount equal to at least 25% of the project's total cost. Additionally, Section 27-05.2-10 requires that at least 25% of the available grant funds be available for counties with a population of less than 7,500.

The Court Facilities Improvement Advisory Committee convened on January 13, 2017, to review the 2017 applications for grant funds. The Committee reviewed 37 applications for grant funds: 15 applications from counties with populations 7500 or more and 22 applications from counties with populations less than 7500. Amount of grant funds requested: \$2,469,750.90. Amount available for grant awards: \$940,680.59.

Listed below in alphabetical order are the counties that received grant awards, the amount of the award, and a brief description of the project.

Adams	\$11,325.00	IVN system purchase, installation and support.
Bottineau	\$2,221.05	Replace jury chairs and make improvements to jury box.
Burke	\$7,312.15	Jury room renovations including expansion of the space, carpeting and painting.
Cavalier	\$3,000.00	Partial funding for shelving.
Dickey	\$103,531.45	Ceiling and plaster repair and related painting projects.
Divide	\$27,411.00	Furnish attorney conference room, jury room and judge's chambers.

Dunn	\$5,250.75	Upgrading courtroom audio processor and adding microphone to jury box.
Eddy	\$7,629.00	Remodel bathrooms connected to court area.
Emmons	\$1,061.25	Replace one computer.
Foster	\$1,824.00	Add security window at clerk's counter and replace anti-ballistic panels in courtroom.
Grant	\$2,606.25	Purchase a copier.
LaMoure	\$1,044.73	Installation of emergency ladders for court-related areas on 2 nd and 3 rd floor of courthouse; scanner for courtroom.
Logan	\$4,364.25	Purchase of copier, calculator, scanner, chairs and mats.
McIntosh	\$1,466.05	Installing wi-fi and purchase and installation of panic buttons and deadbolts.
Morton	\$705,000.00	Contingent upon Morton County's acceptance of the award, Remodel existing space to add a courtroom, judge's chambers, jury room and conference rooms.
Nelson	\$7,840.87	Add camera security system for courtroom; replace witness and juror chairs in courtroom.
Ransom	\$5,221.42	Purchase and installation of an air conditioning unit and add wi-fi for 3 rd floor offices and courtroom.
Sargent	\$9,915.00	Update cabling and wiring for courtroom and chambers.
Sheridan	\$5,812.50	Partial funding to upgrade boiler.
Sioux	\$15,269.26	Purchase and installation of interactive video for courtroom.
Steele	\$1,562.25	Purchase two counsel tables for meeting rooms and two desks for clerk of court office.
Towner	\$5,811.09	Install distress buttons in courtroom, chambers and clerk's office; replace anti-ballistic materials in courtroom.

Wells	\$4,296.73	Replace two air conditioner units in courtroom with two cooling/heating units; replace two chairs in clerk's office.
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